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# Summer

What to Do and Where to Go in Grand Canyon National Park

# Grand Canyon Guide & Maps

# Plan Your Visit

Use *The Guide* to get the most out of your visit

## Getting Around



### By Car

It is possible to drive your vehicle anywhere on paved park roadways except for the road to Hermits Rest and the road to South Kaibab Trail and Yaki Point. These sections of road are indicated on this guide's maps by dashed lines. If you would like to explore in your personal vehicle, consider driving Desert View Drive (64 East). This 25-mile (40 km) road offers access to several scenic vistas and Tusayan Museum and Ruin between Grand Canyon Village and Desert View Watchtower. Consult the back page of this guide for more information.



### By Foot

Get out and stretch your legs. Whether it is going for a short walk along the Rim Trail or undertaking a more difficult venture below the rim, using your own two feet is a great way to see the canyon. Information on hiking trails, the Rim Trail, and hiking safety is available on pages 12-13 of this guide.

See the park film at  
Grand Canyon Visitor Center

**GRAND  
CANYON**

A JOURNEY OF WONDER

This 20-minute movie starts  
on the hour and half-hour.  
Last show at 5:30 p.m.



### Shuttle Bus

For more information about riding the free shuttle buses and bus routes see pages 7-10.



### Bicycle

Explore the canyon on a bike. Pathways marked on this guide's maps in green are accessible by bike. Bicycles are available through Bright Angel Bicycle Rentals at the Grand Canyon Visitor Center. Be sure to follow all safety procedures, and prepare for weather changes. Areas of the Rim Trail where bicycles are allowed is limited, so consult a park ranger when planning your ride. For more information on Bright Angel Bicycle Rentals see page 15.

## Stay Safe!

### Keep Wildlife Wild

- Never approach any animal.
- Stay at least 300 yards (300 m) away from larger animals, such as elk.
- Do not feed the squirrels and keep them away from you.

### Over the Edge

- Stay at least 6 feet (2 m) from the edge and hold on to children.
- Never throw anything over the edge, including rocks and coins. Hikers and bighorn sheep are just below and can be seriously injured.

### Weather and Elevation

- Dangerous lightning storms are common in July and August.
- Direct sun can cause dehydration and sunburn. Drink water, stay out of the heat, and use sunscreen.
- At 7000 feet (2135 m) elevation you may feel short of breath, nauseous, or tire easily. Drink water and take it easy.

## Sunrise or Sunset

There is no one best place for watching sunrise or sunset, just good places and better places. Look for a viewpoint that juts into the canyon with views both east and west.

- While Hopi Point is unquestionably a desirable viewpoint for sunset, it attracts crowds of people and buses.
- Yaki and Yavapai points are accessible by shuttle, offer spectacular views of the canyon, and are less congested.
- Lipan, Navajo, and Desert View points offer incredible views of the canyon with extensive stretches of the river below.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
June 27	5:14 a.m.	7:49 p.m.
July 4	5:17 a.m.	7:49 p.m.
July 11	5:21 a.m.	7:47 p.m.
July 18	5:25 a.m.	7:44 p.m.
July 25	5:30 a.m.	7:39 p.m.
August 1	5:36 a.m.	7:34 p.m.
August 8	5:41 a.m.	7:27 p.m.
August 15	5:47 a.m.	7:19 p.m.
August 22	5:52 a.m.	7:10 p.m.
August 29	5:58 a.m.	7:01 p.m.
September 5	6:03 a.m.	6:51 p.m.

## Full Moon

Date	Moon rise
July 15	8:03 p.m.
August 13	7:08 p.m.
September 12	6:35 p.m.



## Information

### Village Area

#### Grand Canyon Visitor Center

8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Plan your visit and learn about Grand Canyon ecology. Bookstore, bicycle rental, and viewpoints nearby.

#### Backcountry Information Center

8:00 a.m.–noon, 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

Chat with the rangers to obtain backcountry information and backpacking permits.

#### Kolb Studio

8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

This restored 1905 building was the Kolb brothers home and photography studio. It houses free art exhibits

#### Verkamp's Visitor Center

8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Located in one of the canyon's oldest buildings, discover the history of the community life in Grand Canyon Village.

#### Yavapai Geology Museum

8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

How did the canyon form? Find answers to your geology questions with 3D maps and exhibits about the geologic story you see through the picturesque windows.

### Desert View Area

#### Tusayan Museum and Ruin

9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

A visit to the Tusayan Museum and Ruin offers a look into the past and present day lives of thriving Native American communities. Located 3 miles (5 km) west of Desert View Visitor Center.

#### Desert View Visitor Center

8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

How does the canyon inspire you? Explore how this magnificent landscape has inspired artists, writers, musicians, and conservationists.

# Things to Do

What to do and where to go

## What Can I Do Here?

### Explore Geology:

- *Trail of Time*: Stroll the 1.3-mile (2.1 km) trail along the rim with samples of rock from all the layers of the canyon and information on how the canyon formed.

- *Yavapai Geology Museum*: Learn about the geologic history of the canyon and enjoy expansive views.

- *Geology Talk and Geo-Glimpse*: Hear the dynamic story of how the canyon came to be. See pages 4–6 for program listing.

### Uncover History:

- *Verkamp's Visitor Center*: Learn about the people who call Grand Canyon home today.

- *Tusayan Museum and Ruin*: Gain a glimpse into the lives of people that called the canyon home hundreds of years ago. Page 6 lists the programs offered here.

- *Historic Village*: Walk through the village historic district and explore buildings designed by Mary Colter.

- *Kolb Studio*: Learn about the Kolb brothers and their photographic ventures in the canyon.

### Discover Wildlife:

- *Ranger Programs*: Join rangers on walks and talks to learn about the animals and plants that live here as well as remnants of animals from our past.

- *Grand Canyon Visitor Center*: Learn about native plants from the North and South rims. Check out interactive displays about animals in the area.

### Enjoy the View:

- *Hermits Rest Shuttle Bus (Red Route)*: Ride the 8-mile (12.9 km) shuttle bus route stopping at nine scenic viewpoints. For more information, see page 10.

- *Desert View Drive*: Drive along 25 miles (40 km) of spectacular points with views of the Colorado River and Grand Canyon Supergroup. Climb to the top of Desert View Watchtower for a 360-degree view of the canyon and surrounding landscape.

- *Kaibab/Rim Route Shuttle Bus (Orange Route)*: Ride this 50-minute round-trip bus to enjoy five scenic viewpoints. See pages 7 and 9 for more information.

- *Colorado River*: See portions of the Colorado River from viewpoints along Hermit Road, Desert View Drive, and from Yavapai and Mather points.

### Explore on Foot:

- *Rim Trail Hiking*: Walk along this trail to explore views along 13 miles (21 km). Distances and times vary. See pages 8–10 and 12 for more information.

- *Inner Canyon Day Hiking*: Venture part way into the canyon by way of Bright Angel, South Kaibab, and Hermit trails. Refer to pages 12–13 for more information on hiking.

- *Overnight Hiking*: The canyon can be a dangerous place to hike. With the right information and preparation you can explore deeper into the canyon and stay overnight at Phantom Ranch or one of the campgrounds. See pages 12–13 for more information or stop by the Backcountry Information Office.

## Special Events

Check at a park visitor center for more information.

### South Rim Star Party June 18–25

#### Grand Canyon Visitor Center

Free telescope viewing nightly behind Grand Canyon Visitor Center, plus astronomy presentations at 8:10 p.m. in the Visitor Center's theater.

### Puppet Theater

#### August 1–6

#### Shrine of the Ages; 2:00 p.m.

Canyon Condor is a fun puppet show about the mighty, magnificent condor.

### Grand Canyon Music Festival August 26 to September 10

Celebrate the 28th season with weekend concerts in the Shrine of the Ages auditorium at 7:30 p.m. For programming notes and ticket information, visit the Music Festival's web site at [www.grandcanyonmusicfest.org](http://www.grandcanyonmusicfest.org) or call (800) 997-8285. Tickets are also available from the concierge at El Tovar Hotel or at the door the night of each performance.

### Grand Archeology Excavation and Discovery along the Colorado River through September 7

#### Kolb Studio

The National Park Service (NPS) and the Museum of Northern Arizona (MNA) recently excavated nine archeological sites along the Colorado River. Learn how this project enhanced our understanding of the prehistoric people who called the canyon home. Exhibit sponsored by the NPS, MNA, and Grand Canyon Association.

### Artist-in-Residence

Check out Grand Canyon's Artist-in-Residence program. Workshops and presentations are free, family-friendly, and open to the public. Ask visitor centers or visit [www.nps.gov/grca/supportyourpark/air.htm](http://www.nps.gov/grca/supportyourpark/air.htm) for information.

#### June 16–July 9

Liz Roth, painter/installation artist; Stillwater, Oklahoma

#### July 10–31

Iris Cushing, poet; Brooklyn, New York

### August

Andrea Polli and Chuck Varga, sound and media artists; Albuquerque, New Mexico

### Grand Rim Adventure

#### June 13 to August 30

#### Verkamp's Visitor Center; 1:00 p.m.

Take a fact-filled visit to overlooks, exhibits, and trails with the Grand Canyon Association. Register in person by 12:30 p.m. on day of tour; \$85 adults, \$55 ages 12 and younger.

## Stay Connected

Visit Grand Canyon National Park online at [www.nps.gov/grca](http://www.nps.gov/grca)













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# Ranger-Led Programs


Discover Grand Canyon with the rangers who know it inside and out


Village and Mather Point Area	LOCATION	TIME	DURATION	FREQUENCY
<b>Cedar Ridge Hike</b>  <p>What treasures lie below the rim? Join a ranger to discover the beauty of the inner canyon on this arduous hike. Hike descends 1140 feet (374m) below the rim on the unpaved South Kaibab Trail to Cedar Ridge. This strenuous 3-mile (5 km), round-trip hike is not recommended for people with heart or respiratory problems or difficulty walking. Sturdy footwear and 2 quarts (2 liters) of water per person are required. Hat, sunscreen, and snacks strongly recommended. Trailhead closed to private vehicles. Ride the free Kaibab/Rim Route shuttle from Grand Canyon Visitor Center to trailhead.</p>	South Kaibab Trailhead accessible by shuttle bus only	7:00 a.m.	3–4 hours	Daily
<b>Condor Talk</b>   <p>Learn about the majestic and endangered California condor and its reintroduction to northern Arizona in a talk along the canyon's rim. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Bright Angel Lodge stop. Parking may be limited.</p>	In front of Lookout Studio near Bright Angel Lodge	8:00a.m. & 3:30p.m.	30–45 minutes	Daily
<b>Guided Hike</b>  <p>Explore the Grand Canyon on a ranger-guided hike. This program will hike along the Rim Trail from Hermits Rest Route Transfer and travel west to explore a less traveled route for approximately one hour. You may choose the return hike with the ranger or return by shuttle bus from one of the shuttle bus stops. Sturdy footwear and 1–2 quarts (1–2 liters) of water per person are required. Hat, sunscreen, and snacks strongly recommended. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Hermits Rest Route Transfer stop.</p>	Hermits Rest Route Transfer	8:30 a.m.	2 hours	<b>only on</b> Thursday and Sunday
<b>Fossil Walk</b>   <p>Walk through an ancient ocean of marine creatures. Discover the amazing world of fossils and what they tell us about the canyon's history on this moderate hike with a ranger. This half-mile (0.8 km), one-way walk explores an exposed fossil bed along the rim. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Bright Angel Lodge stop. Parking is limited.</p>	Patio on rim side of Bright Angel Lodge	9:00 a.m.	1 hour	Daily
<b>Guided Bicycle Tour</b>  <p>Experience the wonderful greenway trails on a guided bicycle tour. Explore the geology and natural history of Grand Canyon as you pedal through cool forests along the rim. Bring your own bicycle, or bicycles are available for rent through Bright Angel Bicycle Rentals located along parking lot 4 at the Grand Canyon Visitor Center. One quart (1 liter) of water per person are required. Hat, sunscreen, and snacks strongly recommended. Parking is available in lots 1 through 4. If you plan to rent a bicycle please arrive early to make your arrangements.</p>	Grand Canyon Visitor Center parking lot 4 near Bright Angel Bicycle Rentals	9:00 a.m.	2 hours	<b>only on</b> Saturday
<b>Geology Talk</b>   <p>Why is the Grand Canyon so deep, wide, and grand? Why does it exist only here in the world? Grand Canyon is one of the greatest geologic features on earth. Join a park ranger to discover its amazing geologic story. Arrive by riding the free Kaibab/Rim Route shuttle bus to the Yavapai Geology Museum stop or park in the nearby parking area.</p>	Yavapai Geology Museum	9:30 a.m.	30–45 minutes	Daily
<b>History Program</b>  <p>For thousands of years, humans have been part of the Grand Canyon. Join a park ranger to discover stories of humankind's enduring relationship with the canyon. Programs may include a walk around the village historic district. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Train Depot stop. Parking in the nearby lot may be limited.</p>	Verkamp's Visitor Center	10:00 a.m.	30–45 minutes	Daily
<b>Ranger Stories</b>   <p>Ever wonder how rangers become rangers or what types of jobs rangers do in national parks? Come share in some fun and interesting stories of Grand Canyon's park rangers. Many have held other interesting and exciting positions in national parks all over the country. Learn about some of our rangers and what brought them to the Grand Canyon. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Train Depot stop; parking is limited.</p>	El Tovar Porch on rim side	10:30 a.m.	30–45 minutes	<b>only on</b> Monday, Wednesday, and Friday


## Village and Mather Point Area, continued


	LOCATION	TIME	DURATION	FREQUENCY
<b>Geo-Glimpse</b>   Wondering how the Grand Canyon came to be? Enjoy this short introductory talk and learn about the geology of the Grand Canyon while you explore the Yavapai Geology Museum. Parking may be available at Yavapai Point or plan to arrive by the free Kaibab/Rim Route shuttle bus. Consider walking along the Trail of Time following the program.	<b>Yavapai Geology Museum</b>	1:00 p.m. & 3:00 p.m.	15–20 minutes	Daily
<b>Rim Talk</b>  Join a park ranger for a talk along the rim of the Grand Canyon to explore its natural and cultural history. This program may take a short stroll along the Rim Trail or find a cool shaded location depending on weather. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Bright Angel Lodge stop. Parking may be limited.	<b>Verkamp's Visitor Center</b>	1:30 p.m.	30–45 minutes	Daily
<b>Mather Point Talk</b>   A great introduction to Grand Canyon! Join a park ranger for this short program to discover some of the many treasures of Grand Canyon. Topics vary daily. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to Grand Canyon Visitor Center stop. Parking is available in lots 1 through 4.	<b>Mather Point Amphitheater</b>	1:30 p.m. & 3:00 p.m.	20–30 minutes	Daily
<b>Porch Talk</b>   Relax on the porch with a ranger for this short program to discover the treasures of the canyon. Topics vary daily. Perfect for Junior Rangers and train passengers! Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Train Depot stop. Parking in the nearby lot is limited.	<b>Verkamp's Visitor Center</b>	2:30 p.m.	15–20 minutes	Daily
<b>Campfire Program</b>   Come experience a traditional family Campfire Program. Join a park ranger at the campfire and learn what Grand Canyon has to offer. Dress warmly and bring a flashlight. Take the path from Mather Campground kiosk to the Sage Loop Campfire Circle. Parking is available at Camper Services near the campground.	<b>Sage Loop Campfire Mather Campground</b>	6:30 p.m.	45–60 minutes	Daily
<b>Evening Program</b>   A perfect way to end your day at the Grand Canyon! Relax beneath the stars and enjoy a ranger presentation about Grand Canyon's fascinating natural or cultural history. Check the schedules posted at visitor centers throughout the park for nightly topic. Arrive by walking, driving, or riding the free Village Route shuttle bus to Shrine of the Ages. Dress warmly and bring a flashlight. Accessibility note: although the trails to the amphitheater are paved, short sections exceed a 5% grade.	<b>McKee Amphitheater</b>	May–July: 8:30 p.m. Aug–Sep: 8:00 p.m.	1 hour	Daily
<b>Special Programs</b>				
<b>Full Moon Walks and Star Talks</b>				
Discover the mysteries of the night! During nights around the full moon and new moon, rangers may offer moon walks and star talks at the Yavapai Geology Museum. Programs are offered as staffing allows. Check at a park service visitor center for times and locations.	<b>Yavapai Geology Museum</b>	Varies	1 hour	Around new and full moons
<b>Graveyard Walks</b>				
During nights around the full moon, rangers may offer a moonlight tour of Grand Canyon's historic Pioneer Cemetery. Program is offered as staffing allows. Check at park visitor centers to see if this casual stroll is scheduled.	<b>Pioneer Cemetery west of Shrine of Ages</b>	9:00 p.m.	1 hour	Around full moons
<b>Family Programs</b>				
<b>Junior Ranger Adventure Hike</b>  				
Hike with a ranger on Hermit Trail. This strenuous, 1.5-mile (2.4 km) round trip hike is designed for families with kids ages nine to 14. Bring water, sunscreen, and wear sturdy hiking shoes. This program also meets the requirements of the First Lady's Let's Move Outside initiative ( <a href="http://www.letsmove.gov">www.letsmove.gov</a> ). To arrive on time for this program, board the free Hermits Rest Route shuttle bus by 8:00 a.m.	<b>The bell at Hermits Rest</b>	9:00 a.m.	2 hours	Daily
<b>Junior Ranger Discovery Pack</b>  				
Explore the ecology of Grand Canyon with your family and discover the diversity of plants and animals that live here. Learn to use binoculars, field guides, and other tools of a naturalist. This program is designed for families with children ages nine to 14. Parents sign out the Discovery Packs and must return them to Park Headquarters no later than 4:00 p.m. the same day. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Shrine of Ages stop or park in lot A.	<b>Park Headquarters</b>	9:00 a.m.	2 hours	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday through August 13

## Family Programs, continued

	LOCATION	TIME	DURATION	FREQUENCY
<b>Kids Rock!</b>   Join a ranger for activities and games exploring the natural world of Grand Canyon. Children ages seven to 11 participate in programs about fire ecology, water, insects, bats, and more. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Shrine of the Ages stop or park in lot A.	Shrine of the Ages, west end of Lot A	10:00 a.m.	1 hour	Daily, through August 13
<b>Story Time Adventures</b>   Hear a ranger read children's books about Grand Canyon. Props and interactive games bring the stories to life. This program is for families with children ages two to six. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Train Depot stop; parking is limited.	El Tovar Porch, on rim side	1:30 p.m.	30 minutes	Daily
<b>Way Cool Stuff for Kids</b>   Join a ranger for activities designed to introduce children ages seven to 11 to the environment of Grand Canyon. Topics include animal adaptations, predator-prey relationships, invasive species, and more. Ride the free Village Route shuttle bus to the Shrine of the Ages stop or park in lot A.	Shrine of the Ages, west end of Lot A	4:00 p.m.	1 hour	Daily
<b>Twilight Zone</b>   As the sun sets and twilight nears, join a ranger to experience Grand Canyon at night. A ranger will lead the family through games and activities designed to connect children ages seven to 14 to nocturnal animals, the night sky, and more. Please bring a flashlight, warm clothes, and sturdy walking shoes.	Shrine of the Ages, west end of Lot A	Varies	1–1 1/2 hours	Check visitor centers for dates
<b>Desert View and Tusayan Museum</b>				
<b>A Walk on the Quiet Side</b>  Join a ranger for a relaxing stroll around Desert View Point. Stretch your legs and expand your mind by discovering more about what makes Grand Canyon unique.	In front of the <b>Desert View Visitor Center</b>	9:00 a.m.	30–45 minutes	Daily
<b>A Journey Through Time</b>   Have you ever wondered what life was like at Grand Canyon 800 years ago? How did people find food, water, and shelter? Join a ranger to explore the remains of an ancestral Puebloan village. Envision a thriving community in this harsh and demanding environment. Program includes a walk along a 0.1-mile (0.2 km) flat, paved trail.	<b>Tusayan Museum</b> , 3 miles (5 km) west of Desert View	11:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.	30 minutes	Daily
<b>Cultural Connections</b>    People have called the canyon home for thousands of years. Bring your imagination and learn about one aspect of their rich legacy.	<b>Tusayan Museum</b> , 3 miles (5 km) west of Desert View	2:30 p.m. & 3:30 p.m.	20 minutes	Daily
<b>The Spirit of Sunset</b>  Tranquility, inspiration, spectacular colors, and the natural sounds of the canyon. Leave the crowds behind and end your day at Desert View. Each ranger's passion for one of the canyon's extraordinary facets is presented during this program. Wear weather-appropriate clothing. See page 2 for sunset times.	<b>Desert View Point</b> , near the Watchtower	1 hour before sunset	45 minutes	Daily

 All outdoor programs may be cancelled in inclement weather or when lightning danger is present.

 These programs are wheelchair accessible with assistance. Wheelchairs are available for loan during the day at the Grand Canyon Visitor Center.

 These family-oriented programs are ideal for meeting the ranger program requirement for Grand Canyon's Junior Ranger badge. Any ranger program, however, meets the requirement on page 2 of the Junior Ranger Activity Booklet.

**Please Note: Children must be accompanied by an adult at all programs.**

## Become a Junior Ranger!

Grand Canyon National Park offers a Junior Ranger program for children ages four and older.

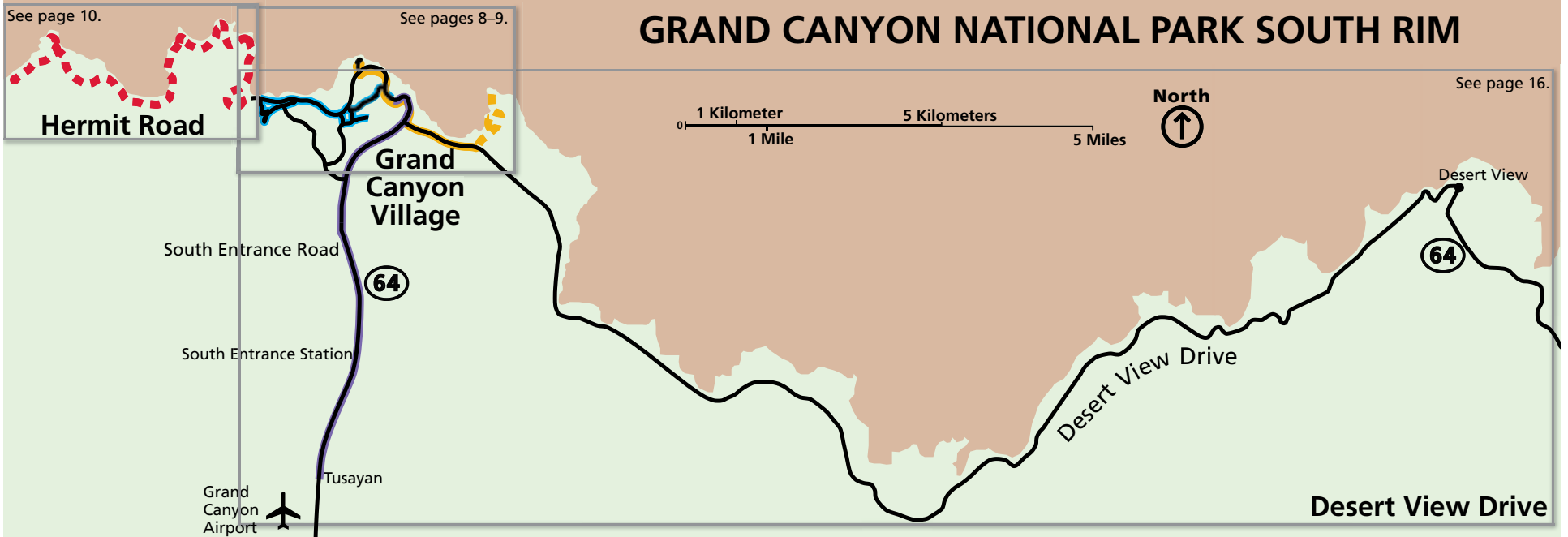
To take part in the FREE program, pick up a Junior Ranger booklet at any park visitor center. Complete four activities listed for the appropriate age level and attend a ranger-led program (listed on pages 4–6 of this guide).

Bring your completed booklet back to any visitor center to receive an official Junior Ranger certificate and badge.

Junior Ranger programs are available at Phantom Ranch, the North Rim, and over 250 national parks, seashores, and monuments nationwide.



# GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK SOUTH RIM



## Village Route (Blue)

Free shuttle buses provide transportation between Grand Canyon Visitor Center, hotels, restaurants, campgrounds, parking lots, and facilities in the village. This is not a scenic route, but rim views are a short walk from many stops.

50 minutes round-trip (without getting off the bus)

June, July, and August buses run every:  
 30 minutes 4:15 a.m.–6:30 a.m.  
 15 minutes 6:30 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  
 30 minutes 9:00 p.m.–11:00 p.m.

September buses run every:  
 30 minutes 5:15 a.m.–6:30 a.m.  
 15 minutes 6:30 a.m.–7:30 p.m.  
 30 minutes 7:30 p.m.–10:00 p.m.

## Kaibab/Rim Route (Orange)

Free shuttle buses provide transportation between Grand Canyon Visitor Center and various viewpoints along the rim. This is the shortest scenic route and the only access to Yaki Point and South Kaibab Trailhead.

50 minutes round-trip (without getting off the bus)

June, July, and August buses run every:  
 30 minutes 4:15 a.m.–6:30 a.m.  
 15 minutes 6:30 a.m. to one hour after sunset.

September buses run every:  
 30 minutes 5:15 a.m.–6:30 a.m.  
 15 minutes 6:30 a.m.–one hour after sunset.

## Tusayan Route (Purple)

Free shuttle buses provide transportation to amenities in the gateway town of Tusayan (four stops) and Grand Canyon Visitor Center. You must have a valid park entrance permit to use this shuttle. Permits available at various locations in Tusayan, the National Geographic Visitor Center, or park entrance stations.

20 minutes each way (without getting off the bus)

Buses run every 15 minutes:  
 First bus leaves Tusayan 8:00 a.m.  
 First bus leaves Grand Canyon Visitor Center at 8:40 a.m.  
 Last buses leave from both areas at 9:30 p.m.

## Hermit's Rest Route (Red)

See page 10 for information on this route.

## Hiker's Express

An early morning bus with service to South Kaibab Trailhead. Bus departs from Bright Angel Lodge bus stop on the hour; second stop at Backcountry Information Center; third stop at Grand Canyon Visitor Center; last stop at South Kaibab Trailhead.

June, July, and August:  
 4:00, 5:00, 6:00 a.m.

September:  
 5:00, 6:00, and 7:00 a.m.

## Bicycles

Each shuttle bus is equipped with a 2- or 3-capacity bicycle rack on the front. Bicyclists are required to load and unload their own bikes and are responsible for bike security.

## Parking

Parking lot locations are indicated on the center page map in this publication and are near shuttle bus stops. Avoid parking along the roadside except where signs or lines on the road indicate that it is permissible.

Parking lots 1-4 are located at Grand Canyon Visitor Center. Lot 1 includes auto, RV, and trailer parking. Lots 1, 2, and 3 often fill by 11:00 a.m. or noon. Lot 4 usually has empty spaces.

Parking lots A, B, C, and D:

- (A) Near Park Headquarters. Large lot that usually has empty spaces.
- (B) Near the businesses in Market Plaza. This large lot usually has empty spaces.
- (C) Small lot near the intersection of Center and Village Loop roads. Usually has empty spaces.

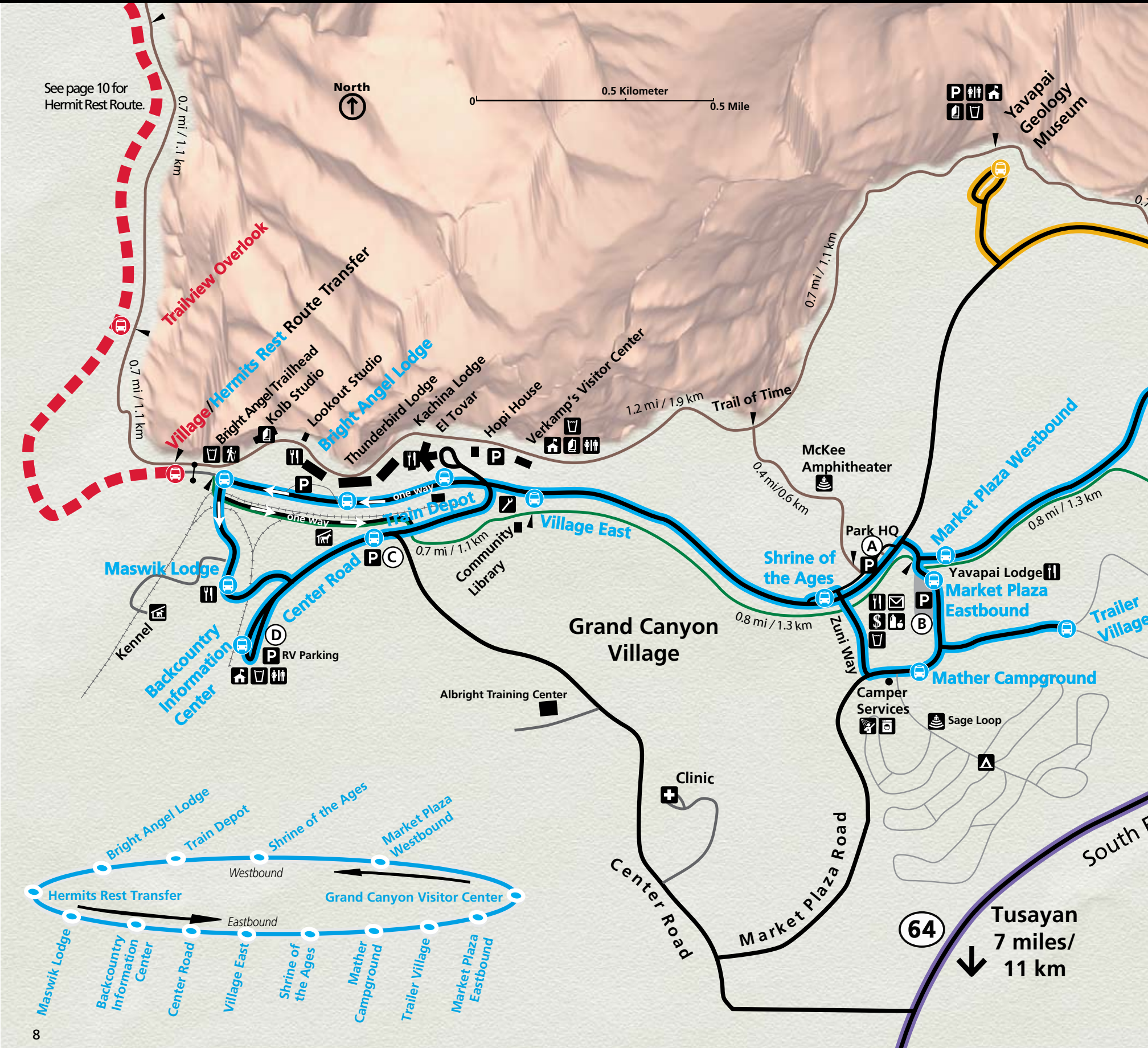
## Accessibility

**Wheelchairs:** Shuttle buses are equipped with ramps and space to carry passengers in wheelchairs. Please note: wheelchairs larger than 30 inches wide by 48 inches long (76 by 122 cm) cannot be accommodated on shuttle buses. Most motorized scooters will not fit on buses.

An accessibility permit, allowing access to some areas closed to public traffic, is available at entrance gates, visitor centers, and hotel lobbies. Day-use wheelchairs are available at no charge at Grand Canyon Visitor Center.

- (D) Near the Backcountry Information Center. The north end features auto parking and the south end features RV and trailer parking. This large lot usually has empty spaces.

# Grand Canyon Village Area Map and Shuttle Bus Information





**Shuttle Routes**

- Village Route
- Tusayan Route
- Kaibab/Rim Route
- Hermit Rest Route

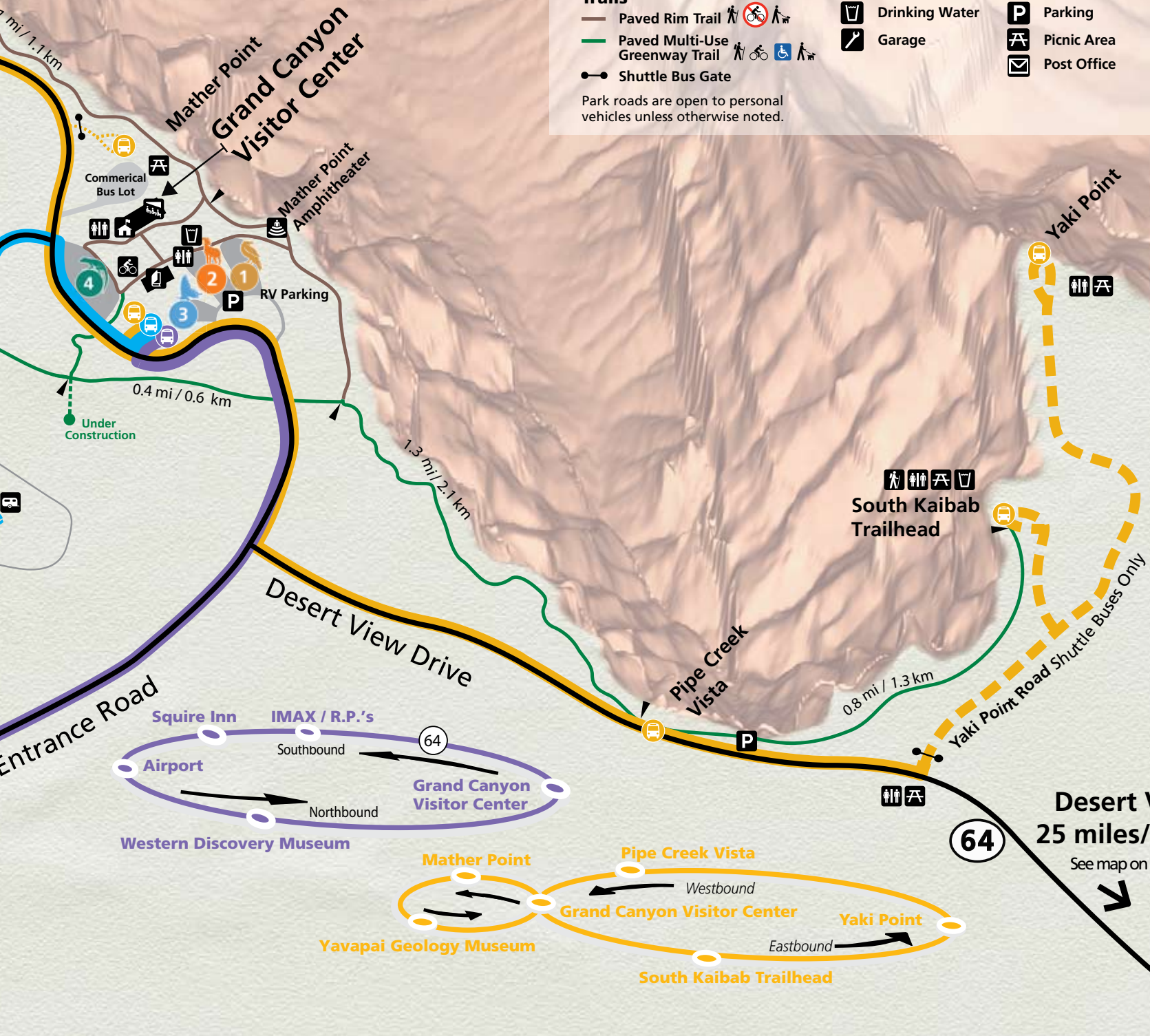
**Trails**

- Paved Rim Trail
- Paved Multi-Use Greenway Trail
- Shuttle Bus Gate

Park roads are open to personal vehicles unless otherwise noted.

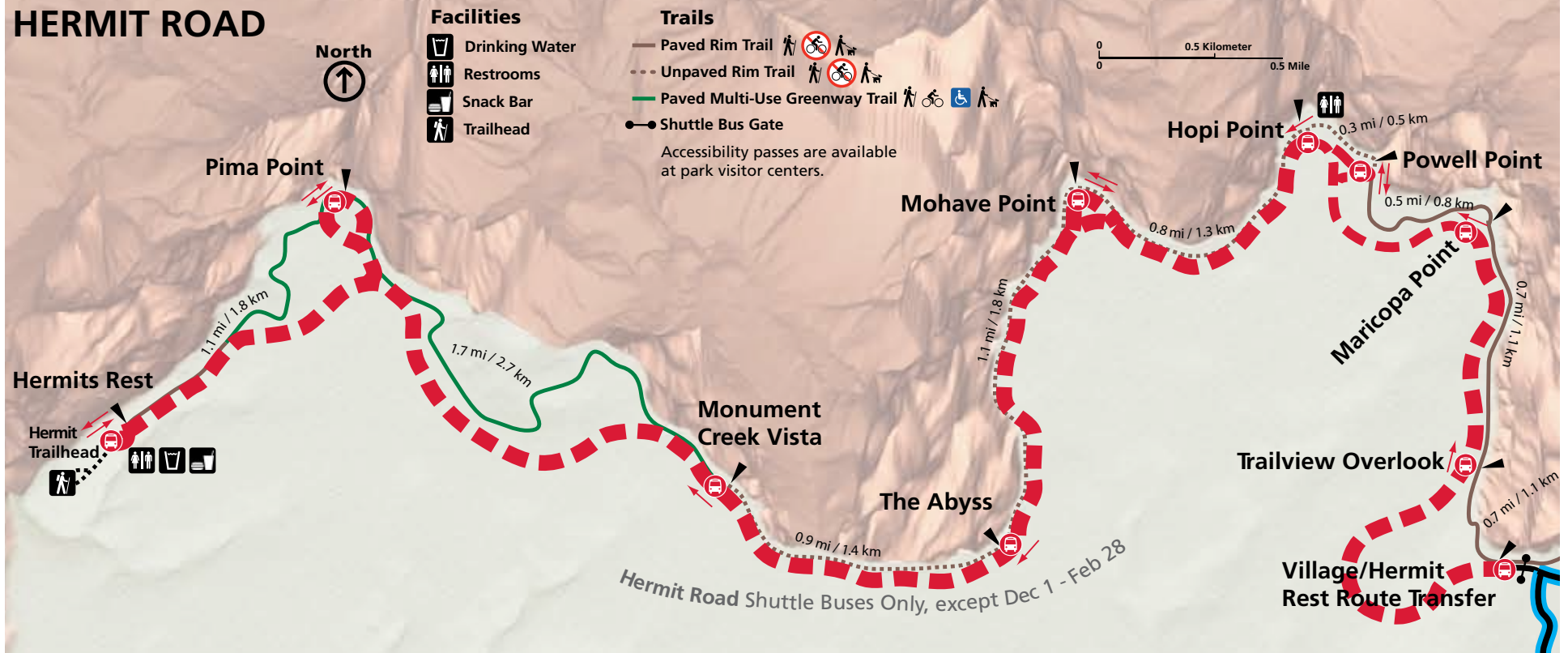
**Facilities**

- Amphitheater
- Bank/ATM
- Bicycle Rentals
- Bookstore
- Camping
- Drinking Water
- Garage
- Groceries
- Kennels
- Laundry
- Medical / Clinic
- Mule Barn
- Parking
- Picnic Area
- Post Office
- R/V
- Restaurant
- Restrooms
- Shower
- Theater
- Trailhead
- Visitor Center



**Desert View**  
25 miles/40 km  
See map on page 16.

# HERMIT ROAD



## Hermits Rest Route (Red)

Free shuttle buses provide transportation between Village Route Transfer and Hermits Rest (7 miles; 11 km) with stops at nine canyon overlooks. Buses stop only at Hermits Rest, Pima, Mohave, and Powell Points on return.

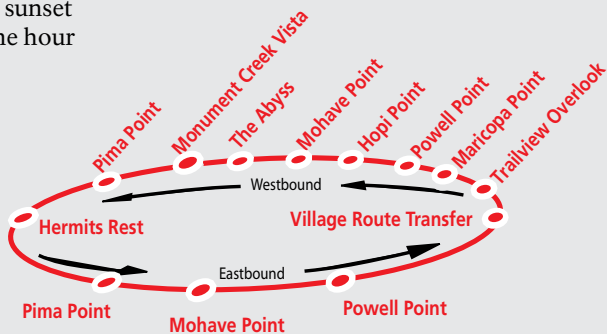
80 minutes round-trip (without getting off the bus)

June, July, and August buses run every:

- 30 minutes 4:15 a.m.–7:30 a.m.
- 15 minutes 7:30 a.m. to sunset
- 30 minutes sunset to one hour after sunset

September buses run every:

- 30 minutes 5:15 a.m.–7:30 a.m.
- 15 minutes 7:30 a.m. to sunset
- 30 minutes sunset to one hour after sunset



## Refill Your Bottle, Reduce Your Footprint!

In order to reduce litter in the park, plastics in the waste stream, and greenhouse gas emissions, Grand Canyon National Park has a reusable water bottle program. Filling stations that provide pure, clean Grand Canyon spring water are now available throughout the park:

- |                          |                             |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Hermits Rest             | Grand Canyon Visitor Center |
| Bright Angel Trailhead   | South Kaibab Trailhead      |
| Verkamp's Visitor Center | Desert View Visitor Center  |
| Canyon Village Market    | Desert View Market          |

What can you do to help? Fill 'er up! Bring or buy a reusable water bottle and fill it up free. You can purchase bottles at all park retailers. Why refill? When you refill your bottle, you:

- Enjoy pure, clean Grand Canyon spring water
- Reduce litter in the park
- Reduce plastics in the waste stream
- Reduce waste management costs (your tax dollars!)
- Reduce greenhouse gases associated with the production, filling, packaging, and transporting of bottled water

Save money! Grand Canyon spring water is FREE!



Almost 30% of Grand Canyon's waste stream is disposable plastic bottles!

# Park Partners

## Preserving and protecting Grand Canyon

### Sustainable Grand Canyon - A Team Effort

The National Park Service and park concessioners at Grand Canyon National Park invite you to join them in their commitment to environmental sustainability. Working together, we are minimizing our impact on the park's natural resources and improving your experience.



#### National Park Service

- New bike rentals, bike paths, and an employee bike share program.
- NPS shuttle buses run on clean-burning compressed natural gas (CNG). In 2010, over 1.3 million people rode the shuttle, taking 445,000 vehicles off park roads!
- New alternative fuel vehicles and recycling of vehicle fluids, tires, and batteries.
- Renewable energy installations include photovoltaic, passive solar, and wind.
- Water bottle filling stations reduce the need to purchase water; encourage use of reusable water bottles.
- All new construction meets LEED standards (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design).
- Member of the Climate Friendly Parks program to reduce carbon emissions 30% below 2008 levels.



Xanterra Parks & Resorts® provides lodging, dining, transportation services, and shops at the South Rim and operates the Grand Canyon Railway. Their award-winning sustainability efforts include:

- An eventual LEED Gold renovation at the Bright Angel Lodge, with waterless urinals, dual flush toilets, ultra low-flow faucets, super efficient

hand dryers, occupancy sensors, and a renewable energy system for sensor faucets. A much more efficient HVAC system was installed and new skylights allow more natural light into the gift shop.

- In 2011, Xanterra South Rim won the National Park Service Environmental Achievement Award for numerous sustainability initiatives and progress toward the federal environmental targets
- Replaced outdated diesel buses with nine efficient CNG full-sized tour buses.
- 23.81% of Xanterra South Rim food and beverage purchases are locally produced and or sustainable products.
- 100% waste vegetable oil, collected from Xanterra's South Rim restaurants, powers the Grand Canyon Railway steam locomotive.
- Water bottle filling stations in the Maswik Lodge Cafeteria track how many disposable bottles are eliminated.



Delaware North Companies (DNC) provides markets at the South Rim and Desert View and is a key partner in environmental stewardship at Grand Canyon.

- In 2010, DNC won the National Park Service Environmental Achievement Award for a green interior remodeling of the Canyon Village Market at

#### Market Plaza.

- DNC's new water bottle filling stations in the Desert View and Canyon Village markets fill renewable water bottles with fresh Grand Canyon spring water.
- An Environmental Management System, GreenPath®, guides environmental operations. DNC is an international ISO 14001 standard certified organization.
- The markets offer organic groceries, Earth Friendly cleaning supplies, and gifts made of organic material and recycled content. The Deli disposable cups, utensils, and to-go containers are 85% compostable.



FOREVER  
RESORTS

Forever Resorts operates Grand Canyon Lodge, shops, and restaurants on the North Rim. Their award-winning sustainability work includes:

- A recycling program increased their solid waste diversion rate. More than half of their waste is recycled instead of being sent to a landfill.
- A composting machine digests food waste into a liquid that goes through the waste water system. On average, more than 19,000 pounds of food waste has been diverted from landfills.
- A new smokeless incinerator burns most non-recyclable trash. Burning almost 50 bags of trash diverts 500 to 1,000 pounds of trash from landfills.
- All showerheads have been upgraded to ultra-low flow (1.5 gpm) and aerators are installed on all sinks operated by Forever Resorts.

#### You, Our Visitors

Here's what you can do to reduce your impact at Grand Canyon National Park:

- Ride the shuttle buses.
- Ride a bike.
- Walk or hike.
- Use the recycling bins throughout the park.
- Use the refillable water stations and reusable water bottles.

### Grand Canyon Association: Be a Part of Something Grand

Grand Canyon Association (GCA) is a nonprofit member organization that helps preserve and protect Grand Canyon National Park by cultivating support, education, and understanding of the park.

GCA cooperates with the National Park Service to fund a variety of projects and programs—new exhibits, scientific research, trail restoration, wildlife monitoring, ecological restoration, support for the arts, and historic building preservation.

On the South Rim, Grand Canyon Association operates bookstores in the Desert View Visitor Center, Tusayan Museum, Yavapai Geology Museum, Verkamp's Visitor Center, Kolb Studio, and their main store, Books and More,

across from the Grand Canyon Visitor Center. Purchases of educational and enjoyable gifts from these stores benefit Grand Canyon National Park.

Interested in experienced-based learning opportunities? Grand Canyon Field Institute (GCFI) offers 100+ classes annually that vary from a few hours of personal interpretation to multi-day guided trips into the canyon.

Teachers can benefit from GCA's outreach program, including Travelin' Trunks and DVDs for loan.

Supporting the arts is another focus of the Grand Canyon Association. Several free, rotating exhibits at Kolb Studio are developed and hosted by GCA annually. The Grand Canyon Celebration of Art brings invited artists to the canyon for eight days of special events each fall. Proceeds

from this event are dedicated to funding a new, permanent art venue on the South Rim.

GCA priority projects for funding in 2011:

- Wilderness Trail Restoration: Maintaining backcountry trail system to protect native vegetation and wildlife.

- Interpreting Sustainable Practices: Creating displays to help explain sustainability and climate friendly practices within the park, such as powering Phantom Ranch with renewable resources.

- Sharing the Park with Kids Across America: Funding helps purchase distance learning hardware and software to provide free ranger-led programming for school districts across the country.

To become a member or to make a donation, visit a GCA bookstore, call toll-free 800-858-2808, or visit [www.grandcanyon.org](http://www.grandcanyon.org).



# Hiking Grand Canyon

Spectacular vistas, challenges, and quiet corners of the park

## Explore the Rim Trail

The Rim Trail provides a diverse experience along 13 miles (21 km) of the canyon. From a short 30-minute sunrise hike to a longer 3–4 hour hike, choose your adventure. You can hike between any two points and catch a free shuttle bus when you are tired. Consult the maps on pages 8–10 for locations. Below are some suggestions for hikes:

### Easy Hikes:

(wide, paved trail; accessible by wheelchairs and strollers)

#### *Trail of Time*

(Verkamp's Visitor Center to Yavapai Geology Museum)  
Learn how the Grand Canyon formed  
1.3 miles/2.1 km, 1–2 hours

#### *Village Historic District*

(Verkamp's Visitor Center to Kolb Studio)  
Explore the local history  
0.6 miles/1 km, 20–30 minutes

#### *Yavapai Point to Mather Point*

Views of the Colorado River and Phantom Ranch  
0.7 miles/1.1 km, 30–45 minutes

### Easy, Less Traveled Hikes:

(little elevation gain)

#### *South Kaibab Trailhead to Mather Point*

Great views of one of the trails into the canyon  
2.1 miles/3.4 km, 1 1/2 to 2 hours

#### *Monument Creek Vista to Hermits Rest*

Accessible by bicycle  
2.8 miles/4.5 km, 2–2 1/2 hours

#### *Hopi Point to Powell Point*

Dynamic views of the canyon, unpaved portion  
0.3 miles/0.5 km, 30–45 minutes

### Moderate Hikes:

(elevation gain and/or rough/narrow trail)

#### *Mohave Point to*

*Monument Creek Vista*  
Unpaved rough trail with great views  
2.0 miles/3.2 km, 1 1/2 to 2 hours

#### *Hermits Rest Transfer to Trailview Overlook*

Steep grade, overlooks Grand Canyon village historic district and Bright Angel Trail  
0.7 miles/1.1 km, 20–30 minutes

## Want to Descend into the Canyon? Hike Smart!

Consider the topics below as you plan your hiking trip into Grand Canyon.

### 1. Summer Weather

**Heat:** The inner canyon is 20–30° F (11–16° C) hotter than the rim. Canyon temperatures can soar to more than 110° F (43° C) in the shade.

**Lightning:** Monsoon weather pattern in July and August. Lightning from these storms can happen at any time, but is most common in the afternoon and evening.

### 2. Tips and Strategies for an Enjoyable Hike

- Start hikes descending into the canyon before sunrise.
- Do not hike between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Rest in the shade.
- If hiking mid-day is your only option, consider the Rim Trail, or descend no further than a mile-and-a-half (2.4 km) down trail into the canyon.
- Double your calories, double your fun. Salty snacks and water should be consumed on any hike lasting longer than 30 minutes. Snack every time you drink.
- For every hour hiking in the canyon, you should drink 1/2 to 1 quart (liter) of water.
- Rest often: sit down, prop your legs up, and take a 5- to 10-minute break at least once every hour.

### 3. Gear

- **Appropriate clothing:** layers for rain, sun, and wind. Wear and bring sunscreen (reapply regularly). Hike with a shirt on to limit direct sun exposure.
- Wear a hat to cover your ears and carry a headlamp for safety in the dark.
- Bring food, water, and any medicine you may need on your hike.

### 4. Plan for the Unexpected

**Heat Exhaustion** is the result of dehydration due to intense sweating. Hikers can lose 1 - 2 quarts/liters of water per hour. Rangers treat as many as 20 cases of heat exhaustion a day in summer.

Symptoms: pale face, nausea, cool and moist skin, headache, and cramps.

Treatment: drink water, eat high-energy foods, rest in the shade, and cool the patient.

**Heat Stroke** is a life-threatening emergency where the body is overwhelmed and can no longer regulate core temperature.

Symptoms: flushed face, dry skin, weak rapid pulse, high body temperature, poor judgment or inability to cope, and unconsciousness. **Danger!**

Treatment: find shade, cool victim with water, and send for help!

**Hyponatremia** is an illness that mimics early symptoms of heat exhaustion. Results from low sodium in the blood from drinking too much water, not eating enough salty foods, and losing salt through sweating.

Symptoms: nausea, vomiting, altered mental states, and frequent urination.

Treatment: have the victim rest and eat salty foods. If mental alertness decreases, seek immediate help!

### Lightning Storms

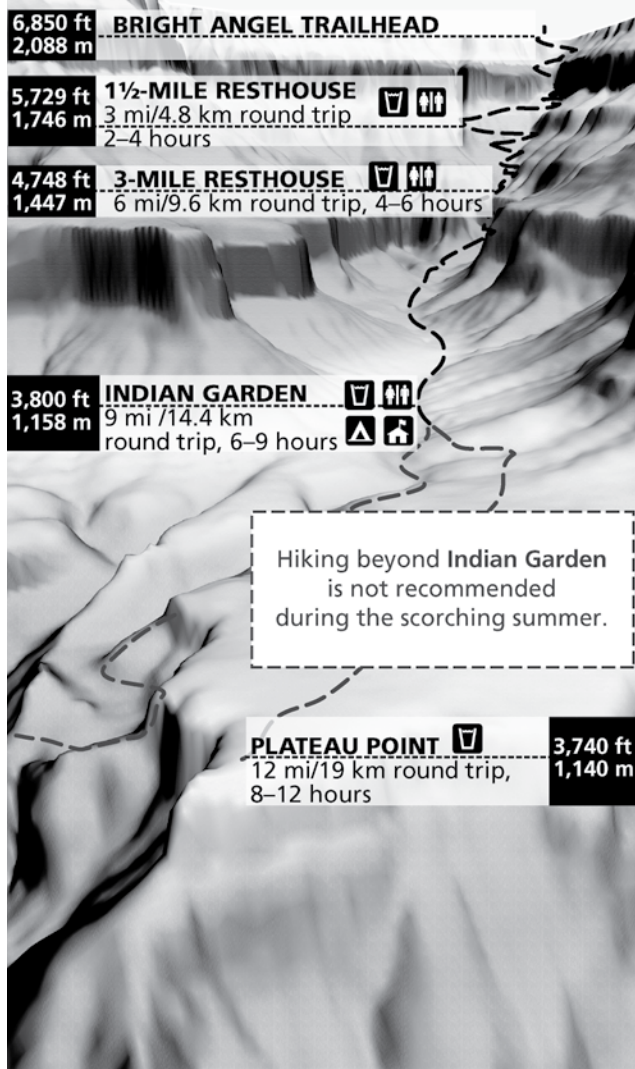
When you hear thunder, move back from the canyon rim. Do not stand under a tree. Seek shelter inside a bus or building. Be aware of possible flash floods and falling rocks during storms.

### 4. Pick your Hike

Now that you know more, choose a safe hike that best fits your abilities and available time. Remember: hiking to the river and back in one day is never recommended due to limited shade, extreme heat, and a near 5,000 foot (1,524 m) elevation change!

### Remember:

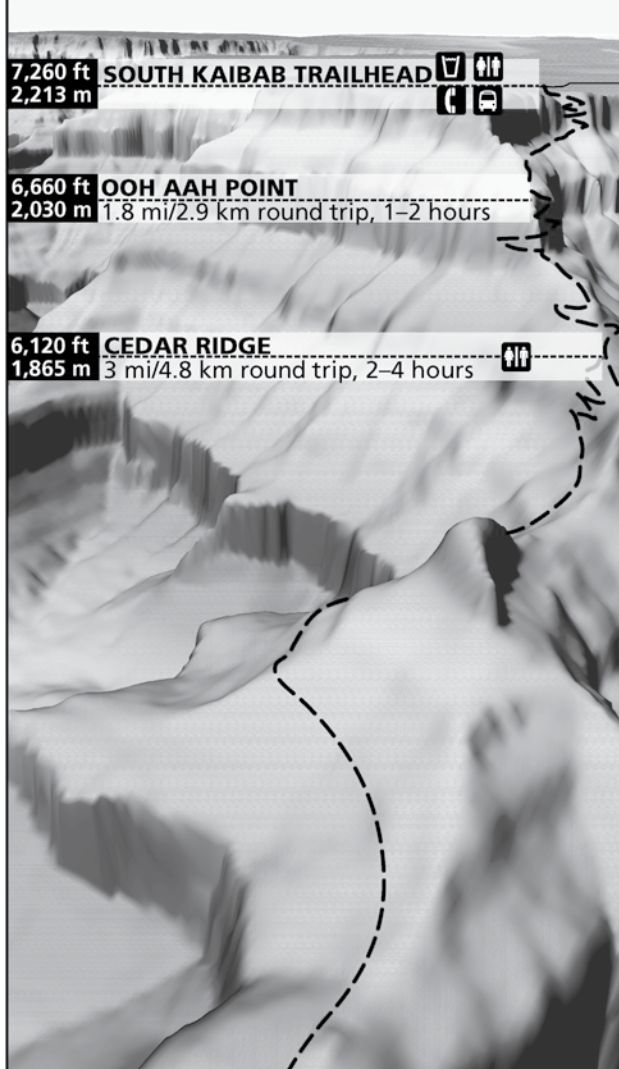
- Due to extreme desert temperatures, hiking from the rim to the river and back in one day is dangerous.
- Service animals are the only dogs allowed below the rim.
- Colorado River is fast, wide, and cold (55° F / 13°C). Do not swim in the river.
- Rocks tossed over or dislodged by taking shortcuts can injure hikers below.
- A permit is required to camp in the backcountry. Stop by the Backcountry Information Office to obtain a permit. Open 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00–5:00 p.m.



## Bright Angel Trail

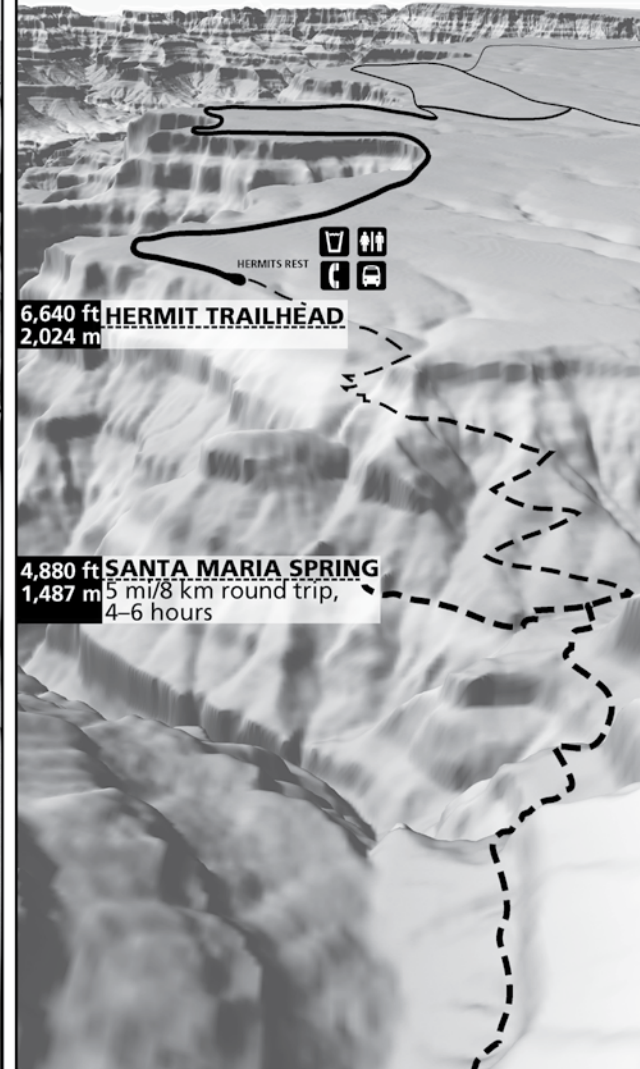
**COLORADO RIVER**  
**2,480 ft**  
756 m

The most popular trail into the canyon begins west of Bright Angel Lodge. Drinking water is available along the trail (subject to line breaks). The trail is shaded early and late in the day. Check at visitor centers for trail conditions and water availability. The upper portion drops down Garden Creek Canyon.



## South Kaibab Trail

This trail begins almost a mile by road south of Yaki Point; you must ride the free Kaibab/Rim Route shuttle bus to the South Kaibab Trailhead stop. Best views for a relatively short hike. Water available at the trailhead, but not along the trail. This trail follows an exposed ridge line.



## Hermit Trail

This rough, unmaintained trail starts 500 feet (150 m) west of Hermits Rest. Recommended for experienced desert hikers only. Hiking boots recommended. Water from springs must be treated. Hermit Trail gives intimate views of a long side canyon.

# Visitor Services

## Locations and hours around the park



### Food and Beverage

#### The Arizona Room

East side of Bright Angel Lodge  
Reservations not accepted  
Lunch: 11:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.  
Dinner: 4:30 p.m.–10:00 p.m.

#### Bright Angel Coffee House

In Bright Angel Lodge  
5:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m.

#### Bright Angel Fountain

Rim side of Bright Angel Lodge  
10:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

#### Bright Angel Restaurant

In Bright Angel Lodge  
Breakfast: 6:00 a.m.–10:45 a.m.  
Lunch: 11:15 a.m.–4:00 p.m.  
Dinner: 4:30–10:00 p.m.  
Lounge: 11:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.

#### Canyon Village Deli

In Canyon Village Market  
7:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

#### El Tovar Dining Room

In El Tovar Hotel  
Breakfast: 6:30 a.m.–10:45 a.m.  
Lunch: 11:15 a.m.–2:00 p.m.  
Dinner: 4:30–10:00 p.m.  
Dinner reservations required:  
(928) 638-2631 ext 6432  
Lounge: 11:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.

#### Maswik Cafeteria

In Maswik Lodge  
6:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

#### Maswik Pizza Pub

In Maswik Lodge  
11:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.

#### Yavapai Cafeteria

In Yavapai Lodge  
6:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

#### Desert View Snackbar

In Desert View Trading Post  
9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

#### Hermits Rest Snack Bar

9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.



### Camping on the South Rim

#### Mather Campground

Operated by the National Park Service. No hook-ups are available, but there is a dump station. Maximum vehicle length: 30 feet. Campsites are \$18 per night. Some sites may be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Check at the campground entrance.

For advance reservations (up to six months in advance) contact Reserve America at (877) 444-6777 or visit [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov)

#### Trailer Village

Pull-through sites with hookups are located next to Mather Campground. \$34.50 per site per night for two people; \$3.00 for each additional person over age 16. Campers may register at the entrance to Trailer Village. Reservations through Xanterra Parks & Resorts. For advance reservations: (888) 297-2757; [www.grandcanyonlodges.com](http://www.grandcanyonlodges.com)  
For same-day reservations: (928) 638-2631.

#### Desert View Campground

Operated by the National Park Service. Located near the East Entrance, 25 miles (40 km) east of Grand Canyon Village. No hook-ups are available. Maximum vehicle length: 30 feet (9.1 m). Self-registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. \$12 per site per night.

### Camping in the Backcountry

You must obtain a permit from the Backcountry Information Office to camp anywhere other than Mather Campground, Trailer Village, or Desert View Campground. Backcountry Information Office is open from 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00–5:00 p.m. Call (928) 638-7875 from 1:00–5:00 p.m. or visit [www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry.htm](http://www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry.htm) for information.

### Camping Outside the Park

#### Camper Village

Commercial campground located one mile (1.6 km) south of park entrance in the town of Tusayan. Hook-ups, coin-operated showers, laundry, propane, dump station, and store are available year round. Call (928) 638-2887, or visit [www.grandcanyoncampervillage.com](http://www.grandcanyoncampervillage.com)

#### Ten-X Campground

Operated by Kaibab National Forest. Located 2 miles (3.2 km) south of Tusayan. \$10.00 per vehicle per night. No hookups or showers. Most individual sites available on a first-come, first-served basis. Some individual and all group sites available by reservation at [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov)  
Information: (928) 638-2443.



### Lodging: In the Park

#### South Rim

For same-day reservations, call (928) 638-2631. For advance reservations, call (888) 297-2757 or write: Xanterra Parks & Resorts, 6312 South Fiddlers Green Circle, Suite 600N, Greenwood Village, CO 80111. [www.grandcanyonlodges.com](http://www.grandcanyonlodges.com)  
All prices are subject to change.

<b>Bright Angel Lodge</b>	\$70–178
<b>El Tovar Hotel</b>	\$178–426
<b>Kachina Lodge</b>	\$173–184
<b>Thunderbird Lodge</b>	\$173–184
<b>Maswik Lodge</b>	\$92–173
<b>Yavapai Lodge</b>	\$114–163

### Bottom of the Canyon

#### Phantom Ranch

Located at the bottom of the canyon. Overnight dormitory and cabin space. Advance reservations are required. Call (888) 297-2757 for prices or inquire at the Transportation Desks in Bright Angel, Maswik, or Yavapai Lodges.

### North Rim

The North Rim is 5 hours (215 miles, 346 km) from Grand Canyon Village.

#### Grand Canyon Lodge

Make reservations by calling (877) 386-4383 or [www.foreverresorts.com](http://www.foreverresorts.com)

### Lodging: Tusayan, AZ

#### Best Western Grand Canyon Squire Inn

(800) 937-8376 or (928) 638-2681

#### Canyon Plaza Resort

(800) 955-2521 or (928) 638-2673

#### Grand Hotel

(888) 634-7263 or (928) 638-3333

#### Holiday Inn Express

(888) 473-2269 or (928) 638-3000

#### Red Feather Lodge

(866) 561-2425 or (928) 638-2414



### Pets Must Be Leashed at All Times

Leashed pets are allowed on rim trails throughout the developed areas of the South Rim, but not below the rim. The only exception is service animals. Persons wishing to take a service animal below the rim must

check in first at the Backcountry Information Center. Kennels are available: (928) 638-0534.



#### Wifi

Park Headquarters has public computer access and wifi.



#### Cell Phone Tour

Wherever you see a cell phone tour sign, dial (928) 225-2907 and enter the indicated stop number. You will hear a two-minute interpretive ranger talk. There is no additional charge; standard rates apply. Locations exist throughout the park.

## Books and Gifts

### Hermits Rest

8:00 a.m. to sunset

### Kolb Studio

8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

### Village Area

#### Books & More near Grand Canyon Visitor Center

8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

### Lookout Studio

8:00 a.m. to sunset

### Maswik Lodge

7:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

### Bright Angel Lodge

7:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

### Verkamp's Visitor Center

8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

### El Tovar Hotel

7:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

### Yavapai Geology Museum

8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

### Hopi House

8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

### Yavapai Lodge Curio

7:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

### Desert View Area

#### Desert View Trading Post

8:00 a.m. to sunset

#### Desert View Visitor Center

8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

#### Desert View Watchtower

8:00 a.m. to sunset  
Watchtower stairs close 30 minutes before sunset

#### Tusayan Museum

9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

## Paid Tours and Activities

### Transportation Desks

Information about Phantom Ranch facilities, mule trips, horseback riding, air tours, one-day float trips, and motorcoach tours (including wheelchair-accessible tours) is available in the lobbies of Maswik, Bright Angel, and Yavapai lodges. Call (928) 638-2631, ext. 6015.

[www.grandcanyonlodges.com](http://www.grandcanyonlodges.com)

### Air Tours

Fixed-wing and helicopter tours originate daily from Grand Canyon Aiptort located outside the park in Tusayan.

### Bus Tours

Tours within the park to Desert View and Hermits Rest; sunrise and sunset tours are available daily.

### Mule Trips

Two-day trips into the canyon to Phantom Ranch depart each morning. A 3-hour forest ride to The Abyss overlook departs twice daily.

### Bright Angel Bicycle Rentals and Tours

Open 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

(928) 814-8704

[babrentals@gmail.com](mailto:babrentals@gmail.com)[bikegrandcanyon.com](http://bikegrandcanyon.com)

### Smooth-Water Raft Trips

Day trips on the Colorado River from Glen Canyon Dam to Lees Ferry are provided by Colorado River Discovery. (888) 522-6644 or [www.raftthecanyon.com](http://www.raftthecanyon.com)

See [www.nps.gov/grca](http://www.nps.gov/grca) for information about multi-day whitewater raft trips.

## Services



### Bank and ATM

At Market Plaza. 24-hour ATM.  
Monday–Thursday:

9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

(928) 638-2437

ATM also in Maswik Lodge lobby.

### Child Day Care

Kaibab Learning Center offers day care for one to 12 years olds on a space available basis. Immunization records must be provided.

Open: Monday–Friday: 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. (928) 638-6333



### Garage Services

Located east of the train depot at the east end of Xanterra General Offices.

Open daily: 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00–5:00 p.m. Provides basic emergency repairs and tow service to Williams or Flagstaff. (928) 638-2631



### Kennels

Daily: 7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

(928) 638-0534

For retrieval after 5:00 p.m., contact Fire and Safety: (928) 638-2631



### Laundry and Showers

Located at Camper Services

6:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.

Last laundry load: 9:45 p.m.



### Lost and Found

For items lost or found in hotels or restaurants call: (928) 638-2631.  
For all other lost items call: (928) 638-7798.



### Post Office

At Market Plaza. (928) 638-2512  
Monday–Friday: 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.  
Saturday: 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.



## Groceries

### Canyon Village Marketplace

7:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

### Desert View Marketplace

8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

## Transportation

### Arizona Shuttle

Service between Flagstaff, Grand Canyon, Phoenix, Tucson, and other locations. (877) 226-8060 or (928) 226-8060  
[www.arizonashuttle.com](http://www.arizonashuttle.com)

### Flagstaff Shuttle and Charter

Service between Flagstaff and Grand Canyon, as well as between the North and South rims. (888) 215-3105

### Rim to Rim Shuttle

Service between the North and South rims. Reservations required: (928) 638-2820

### Grand Canyon Railway

Service between Williams and Grand Canyon. (800) THE-TRAIN  
[www.thetrain.com](http://www.thetrain.com)

### Taxi Service

Daily, 24-hour service to Grand Canyon Airport, trailheads, and other destinations. (928) 638-2631, ext. 6563

### Arizona Highway Information

511 or (888) 411-ROAD. [www.az511.gov](http://www.az511.gov)

## Medical

### 24-Hour emergency care dial 911

From hotel rooms dial 9-911

### North Country Grand Canyon Clinic

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

(928) 638-2551

## Environmental Education

### Class Trips, Summer Camps, and Teacher Workshops

Teachers: (928) 638-7931

[www.nps.gov/grca/teachers/](http://www.nps.gov/grca/teachers/)

Summer camps:

[www.nps.gov/grca/forkids/camp.htm](http://www.nps.gov/grca/forkids/camp.htm)Grand Canyon Youth: [www.gcyouth.org](http://www.gcyouth.org)

## Grand Canyon Field Institute (GCFI)

### Hiking and Backpacking

Offers a wide variety of educational classes throughout the park. For more information call (866) 471-4435 or visit

[www.grandcanyon.org/fieldinstitute](http://www.grandcanyon.org/fieldinstitute)

## Available in Tusayan

### Apache Stables Horse Rides

Located outside the park, at the north end of Tusayan. For information and reservations call (928) 638-2891.

### Grand Canyon Chamber of Commerce

Located in Tusayan, provides information about Tusayan and the local businesses. For information call (888) 472-2696.

[www.grandcanyonchamber.com/index.php](http://www.grandcanyonchamber.com/index.php)

### IMAX Theater

Movie shown every hour on the half hour: 8:30 a.m.–8:30 p.m.  
(928) 638-4629

### Kaibab National Forest

Tusayan Ranger District  
(928) 638-2443

### News and Weather

KNAU: Radio FM 90.3

## Community Library

Monday to Saturday: 10:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Public access computers and Wifi available.

Located next to the Village East shuttle bus stop.

## Religious Services

Religious services are offered in the park and the nearby community. Current schedules are posted at Mather Campground (near the check-in station), Shrine of the Ages, the information kiosk near the post office, Grand Canyon Visitor Center, and Verkamp's Visitor Center.

### Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Gary Bishop, Branch President

(928) 638-3227

### Grand Canyon Baptist Church

Rick Wiles, Pastor

(928) 638-0757

### El Cristo Rey Roman Catholic

Rev. Michael Accinni-Reinhardt

(928) 638-2390

### Grand Canyon Community Church

Patrick Dotson, Pastor

(928) 638-2340

### Grand Canyon Assembly of God

Brian and Debbie Fulthorp, Pastors.

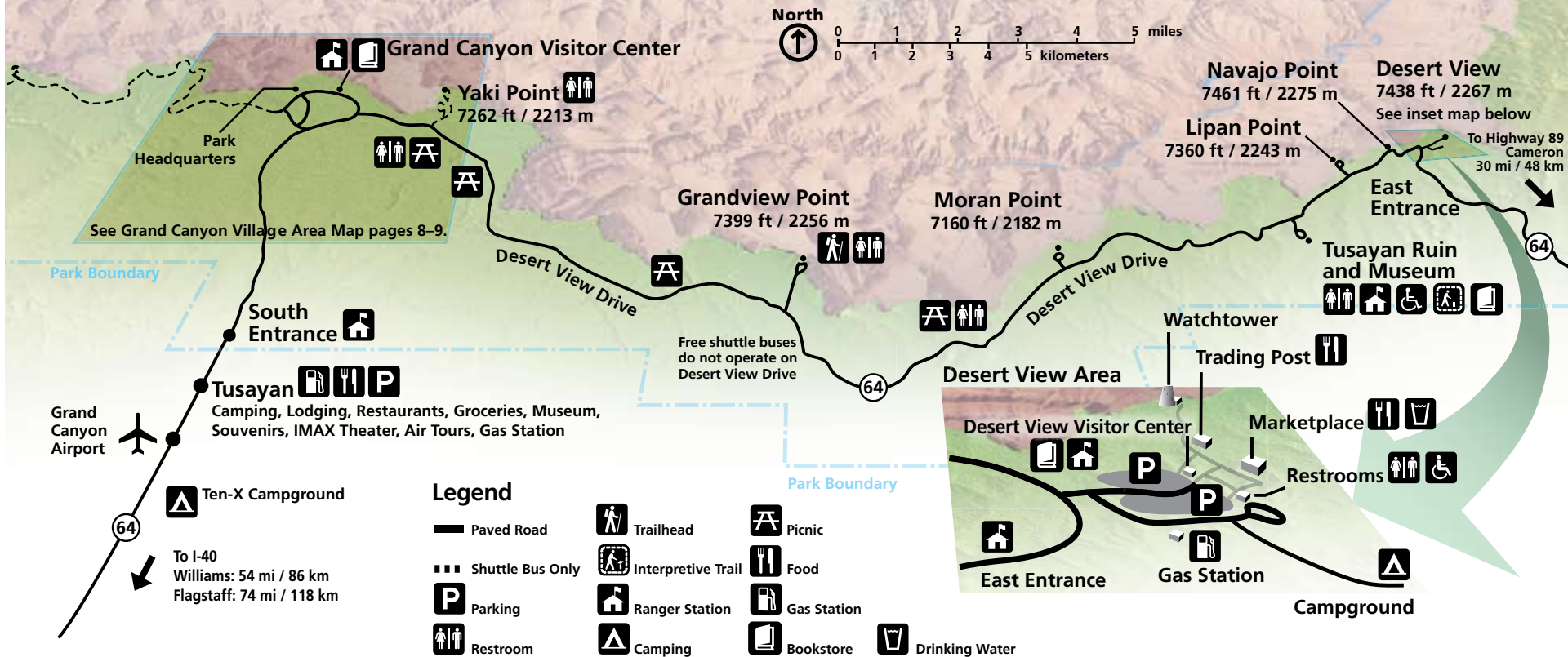
(928) 707-2904

### Jewish Services and Programs

Rabbi Nina Perlmutter

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# DESERT VIEW DRIVE



## Explore Desert View Drive



Experience the ever-changing moods of the canyon while wandering the viewpoints.

**The Watchtower** Mary Colter gained inspiration through her travels in the Southwest for this impressive building reminiscent of ancient cultures' dwellings. Climb the 85 steps to see a 360 degree view.

**Navajo and Lipan Points** Look across the canyon and toward the river to see the tilted layers of the Supergroup. These rocks are only visible from a few areas along the South Rim and tell an interesting geologic story.

**Moran Point** is only 8 miles (12.9 km) across the canyon from Cape Royal on the North Rim. A chance to glimpse the mighty Colorado River as it continues to aid in carving the Grand Canyon.

**Grandview Point** See how fire has restored a more natural landscape through managed fires along Desert View Drive. Lightning fires naturally occur during the summer monsoon season.

## Desert View Services

Desert View Visitor Center	8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Gas Station	Gas available 24 hours with credit card 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Desert View Marketplace	8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Trading Post Gift Shop	8:00 a.m. to sunset
Watchtower Gift Shop	8:00 a.m. to sunset
Watchtower stairs	Close 30 minutes before gift shop
Desert View Campground	First-come, first-served

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## North Rim

The average distance across Grand Canyon "as the raven flies" is 10 miles (16 km). Traveling from the South Rim to the North Rim by automobile, however, requires a five-hour drive of 215 miles (346 km).

Lodging and camping at the North Rim are available from mid-May to mid-October. Reservations are strongly recommended. Additional facilities are available in the Kaibab National Forest, Kaibab Lodge area, and Jacob Lake.

A separate edition of *The Guide* is published for the North Rim and available in park visitor centers.